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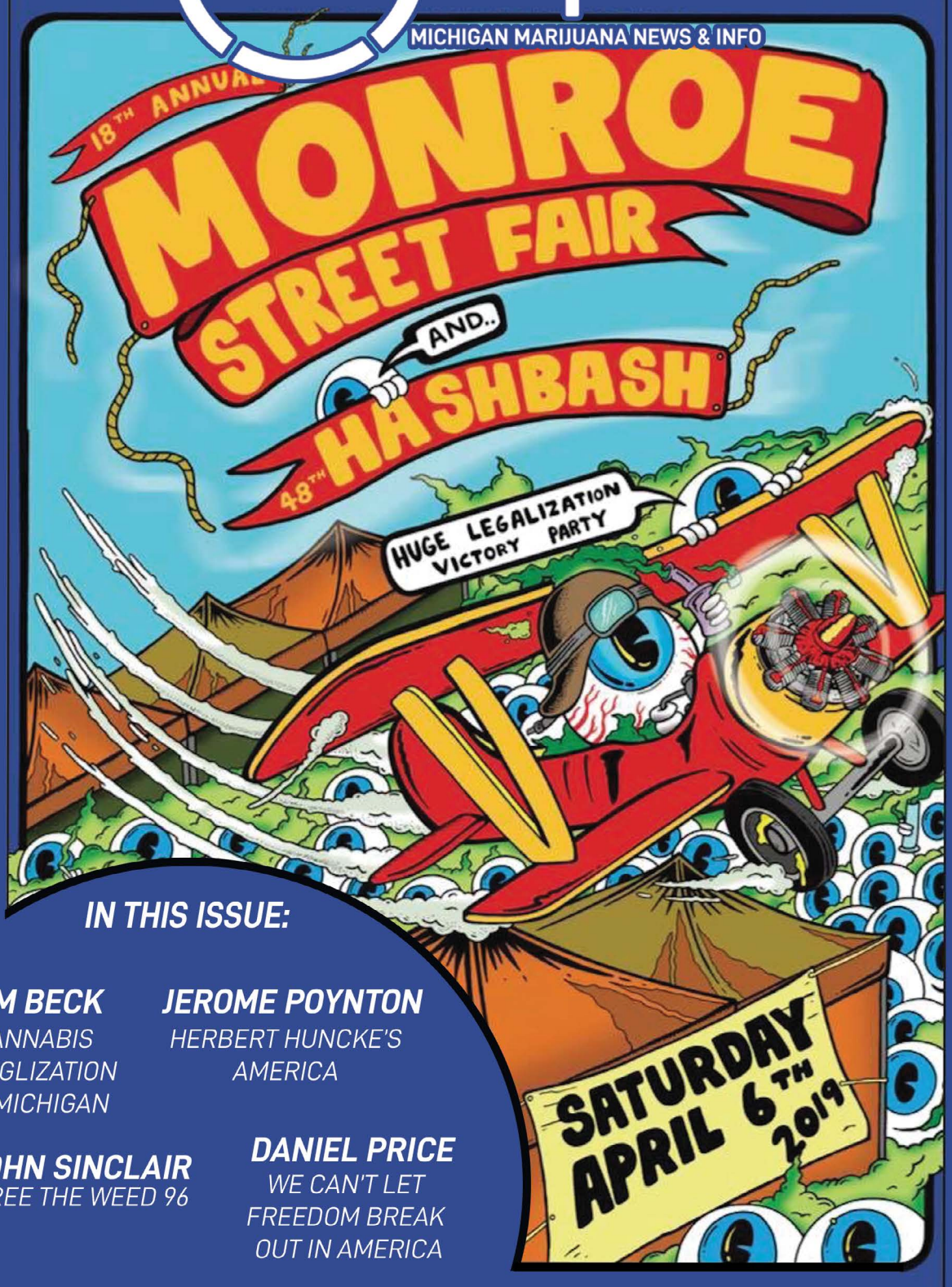

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NOTES

Greetings readers!

As we know this industry is full of the good, the bad, and the ugly. And as always we strive to bring you the scoop on all of it!. We are still celebrating the legalization of recreational marijuana, especially with Hash Bash right around the corner!! I personally am looking forward to spending some time with activists, artists, musicians stoners and everything in between on the diag of U of M. This year it will be held on April 6th at noon.

A fun event we were part of in February was the MI Cannabis expo in Birch Run, which was an excellent experience. I had so much fun meeting new people in the industry as well as seeing some of our wonderful advertisers at their booths.

This is the third issue I have been a part of creating as the editor, and I must say it has been a blast. I look forward to continuing to learn and grow with this publication. The support of the team has been amazing, and I can not really put into words all the shenanigans! Stay tuned for our super special April issue, this will be the 4/20 issue so send us your thoughts, pictures and opinions about cannabis events, what you have growing, or industry related content!

A HUGE thanks to everyone involved and all of you loyal readers!

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CBC	<LOQ
CBGa	<0.41
CBN	<LOQ
THCV	<LOQ
CBDV	<LOQ
TOTAL	17.21%

DEEP PURPLE

CANNABINOID	MASS
THCa	7.88%
Δ9-THC	<LOQ
CBD	<LOQ
CBDa	<LOQ
CBC	<LOQ
CBGa	<LOQ
CBN	<LOQ
THCV	<LOQ
CBDV	<LOQ
TOTAL	7.88%

BRUCE BANNER

CANNABINOID	MASS
THCa	24.94%
Δ9-THC	0.21%
CBD	<LOQ
CBDa	0.18%
CBC	<LOQ
CBGa	2.66%
CBN	<LOQ
THCV	<LOQ
CBDV	<LOQ
TOTAL	27.98%

MOTHERSHIP OG

CANNABINOID	MASS
THCa	20.13%
Δ9-THC	0.86%
CBD	<LOQ
CBDa	0.23%
CBC	<LOQ
CBGa	1.67%
CBN	<LOQ
THCV	<LOQ
CBDV	<LOQ
TOTAL	22.66%

CASEY JONES

CANNABINOID	MASS
THCa	9.91%
Δ9-THC	0.37%
CBD	<LOQ
CBDa	0.14%
CBC	<LOQ
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CBDV	<LOQ
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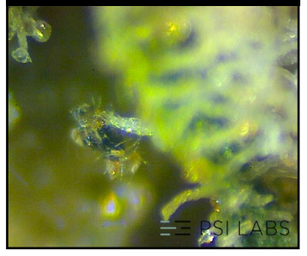

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CBGa	0.65%
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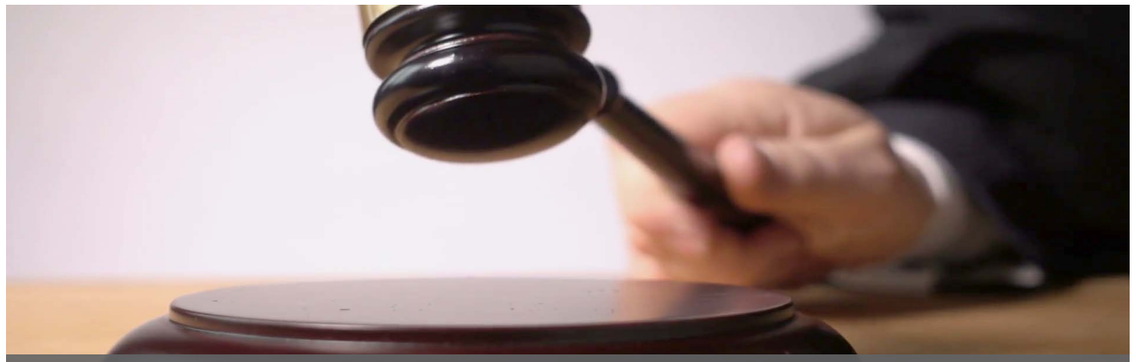

Judge awards employers the right to discriminate against medical cannabis cardholders

Michigan Judge has ruled that employers are allowed to refuse to hire employees that use medicinal cannabis. See story below.

Judge Awards Employers the Right to Discriminate Against Medical Cannabis Cardholders

In contrast to recent court rulings in Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts, a Michigan Judge has ruled that employers are allowed to refuse to hire, as well as terminate current employees that use medicinal cannabis. The ruling stems from a case surrounding a Diamondale woman that states her job offer from Lansing Board of Water and Light was rescinded due to testing positive for marijuana, despite the fact that she is a medical card holder.

The three judge panel ruled that the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act does not prohibit an employer from enforcing a no tolerance policy for cannabis. The court cited the MMMA, stating that cardholders are protected from "arrest, prosecution or penalty in any manner" but "does not create Affirmative Rights" The court stated that the woman's job was not protected "because the harm she suffered was the loss of an employment opportunity in which she held absolutely no right or property interest."

Miller Canfield, a popular Michigan-based law firm, said the ruling indicates "public employers should feel comfortable maintaining and enforcing zero-tolerance drug policies for their at-will employees, including medical marijuana cardholders." But the law firm cautioned that it's unclear "whether the result would have been the same if the plaintiff had an employment contract that provided for employment other than at-will."

Over $18 million in medical marijuana tax revenue projected for Michigan in 2019

The Michigan Bureau of Marijuana Regulation recently announced that the sale of medical cannabis products amounted to an estimated $30.2 million in the past four months alone, which equals out to approximately $1.8 million in sales tax, and $112,800 in excise tax that was paid to the state, and the license fees for facilities brought in an additional $11.9 million. Authorities are weighing the reduction of fees associated with obtaining a medical card, since the entire amount that they have collected isn't necessary for the operation of the program.

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs announced that within the past three years, the licensing fees collected have generated a 90 to 100 percent more revenue than is needed to operate the program. The extra funds are currently being used towards other governmental programs and positions, such as the Attorney General, State Police, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, as well as additions to treatment and prevention facilities.

Legal Loophole Spawns a New Cannabis Business Model

A legal loophole allows people to give away cannabis free of charge which has led to a new business model, under which some businesses are selling non cannabis products such as non infused candy, or even art, and will include a small amount of cannabis as a free "gift". As long as the service is not advertised, Michigan law allows for the gifting of up to 2.5 ounces of cannabis to adults 21 years of age or older. The future of the cannabis gifting loophole is likely temporary, and currently uncertain with recreational cannabis sales on the horizon, however for now consumers and businesses are using this grey area to their advantage.

Attorney General to Dismiss Cannabis Charges Against Four Michigan Residents

Democratic Attorney General Dana Nessel has announced that she will be dropping the charges against four people, in two pending cases, based on weak cases and new cannabis laws. In a statement Nessel said "We are focusing all of our efforts and resources on the truly bad actors and those who have non-marijuana related charges, They will be held accountable and we will pursue them."

Changing course from her predecessor Republican Bill Schuette, Nessel's actions will affect two of the three cannabis related cases in her office, however there are still twelve people facing charges for cannabis related crimes. "I think the attorney general decided they were the bit players and not the main culprits and not worth them spending their time on negligible cases," said Matt Abel, a Detroit lawyer and executive director of Michigan NORML. "Which doesn't portend well for the others. The people whose cases are not being dropped."

Nessel is seeking the dismissal of charges of felony delivery/manufacture of marijuana against Mark Sochacki and Terra Sochacki, and charges of conducting a criminal enterprise against Amanda Amsdill out of St Clair County. The three are part of a larger lawsuit, People v. Mark Sochacki, Terra Sochacki, James Amsdill, Debra Amsdill, Amanda Amsdill, which stems from a 2011 Michigan State Police investigation into James and Debra Amsdills marijuana dispensaries, according to media reports. The Amsdills, their daughter Amanda Amsdill and employees Mark and Terra Sochacki, which were all arrested as a result.

LARA Looking for Volunteers to Help Form the Legal Cannabis Market

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There is still a lot of work to be done to implement the new recreational cannabis laws here in Michigan, in order to facilitate this long arduous process, The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs is looking for volunteers for the development of the rules and regulations surrounding legal cannabis. The state has until December of 2019 to come up with the rules, after which they will then begin processing recreational licensing for facilities.

There are four basic work groups of people that the state is looking to recruit;

People who already have licenses to operate medical marijuana businesses and want to expand into the recreational market. Under the ballot proposal that voters approved in November, legalizing marijuana for adult recreational use, the medical marijuana businesses that have state licenses will have first dibs on the recreational licenses.

Municipalities that are considering allowing licensed recreational marijuana facilities in their community. Currently, 114 communities have passed ordinances allowing medical marijuana businesses and those communities are expected to also allow recreational marijuana businesses. Communities have the right to prohibit marijuana businesses in their towns and at least 280 have already taken action to do that, according to an unofficial list from LARA.

Attorneys who represent marijuana clients who have an interest in getting into the recreational market.

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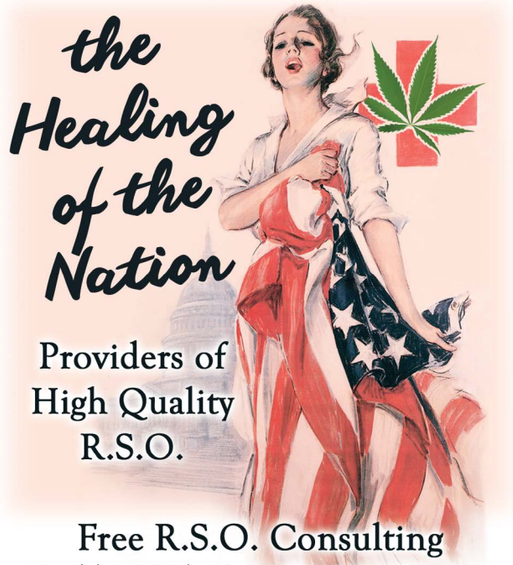

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See full story below.

CBS Rejects Medical Marijuana Super Bowl Commercial

Will 2019, be the year the U.S. legalizes cannabis? Kevin Murphy, CEO of pot firm Acreage says that it will be. Murphy says that he firmly believes a piece of bipartisan legislation that recognizes legal cannabis federally, proposed by senators Elizabeth Warren and Cory Gardner will pass this year, which would allow cannabis companies such as his own to finally operate legitimately. The legalization of cannabis would allow companies to no longer operate in a grey zone, opening up opportunities such as access to bank accounts, and the ability to list on U.S. stock exchanges. "I believe 2019 is going to be the year, I believe that it's going to take place through the STATES Act." said Murphy "From our vantage point its very straightforward and we couldn't be more pleased to be leading as the largest player in the United States," Murphy's firm is listed on the Canadian Securities Exchange, but is headquartered in the U.S. and boasts multiple high profile board members such as former house speaker John Boehner as well as ex-Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

Murphy says that Canada has become the world's largest market for legal cannabis due to last year's legalization of recreational cannabis. "Canada is leading not only in the compassion and care side of it, they're also leading in the capital markets aspect of the business." by contrast to its northern neighbor he also stated "The United States has been a leader in so many different things, but today sadly the U.S. is so woefully behind in their compassion and care with cannabis." He further elaborated that the U.S. is the world leader in the world in opioid crisis, with an average of 130 americans dying every day due to opiate overdoses says the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Recently, Acreage was disappointed to learn that an Ad intended to be ran during the 2019 Super Bowl, which shines light on the current opiate crisis in the U.S was rejected and highlights the benefits of medical marijuana was rejected by the American broadcaster CBS. "We were very disappointed that the ad was not accepted by CBS," Murphy said. "We don't begrudge CBS, we understand that it remains federally illegal in the United States."

Online Cannabis Marketplace Offers to Supply Federal Government Workers Affected by the Shutdown with Free Cannabis.

If you are a federal worker affected by the government shut down and unable to afford your cannabis medication then budtrader.com has got you covered. The online cannabis marketplace giant issued a statement via facebook recently stating "To any Federal Employee unable to pay for their medical cannabis due to the Government shutdown, BudTrader will donate to you the allowable, legal limit according to California adult use rules and regulations to help ease your suffering in this difficult time," the company went on to further explain that they will not be just supplying people with cannabis to just relax, but instead their aim is to ensure that patients with a medical need have access to the medication that they need. They have also assured that any and all communications through their website will be kept strictly confidential.

I a recent press release, Brad McLaughlin, the company's CEO said "I don't think federal employees are getting enough love and support, In these tough times, we want to extend the offer of a donation of medical cannabis to any federal worker affected by the shutdown." the company has further assured that they are working closely with a lawyer to "ensure that all cannabis donations given to federal employees are confidential and compliant with California Cannabis adult use laws and regulations."

Mike Tyson to Host a Cannabis Themed Music Festival

Former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson recently announced that he will be hosting a new music festival called The Kind Music Festival, which embraces California's cannabis industry and culture. Taking place at the Tyson Ranch Resort, a 420-acre entertainment complex currently in development in Desert Hot Springs, California on February 23rd. Once complete, the complex will also offer luxury glamping, as well as a cannabis research and design facility. In a recent press release, the festival will have "the distinction of being the first-ever all-ages music festival that embraces California's updated cannabis regulations and offering alcoholic consumption to those 21+, However, in accordance with the 2019 laws, there will be no sales of cannabis products at the festival." The festival lineup boasts such headliners as A$AP Ferg, Miguel, and Yonee, as well as will host a multitude of food trucks, and activities such as inflatable rides, obstacle courses and mazes.

States to watch for cannabis reform in 2019;

I Cannabis reform is sweeping the country as more and more states introduce bills aimed at the legalization and regulation of cannabis. From decriminalization, to adult use recreational measures, here are the states to watch in 2019;

Tennessee-

SB 260/HB 234 which would allow for those with valid medical cards issued from other states the ability to travel with up to a half an ounce of cannabis on them while in the state of Tennessee.

SB 256 which would decriminalize the possession of less than an ounce of cannabis.

SB 257 which would change the definition of cannabis for tax purposes to match how it is defined in the criminal code.

West Virginia-

HB 2331 which would allow decriminalize cannabis, allowing for possession of up to one ounce, and give counties the ability to approve its production and sales.

Minnesota-

Senate Bill 619 and House Bill 420 which would legalize adult use recreational cannabis, allowing for growing up to four plants at home.

New Mexico-

HB 356 which would legalize, regulate, and tax adult use cannabis.

Wyoming-

House Bill 278 which would legalize medical cannabis, and a tightly regulated system for the control and distribution of medicinal cannabis.

Nebraska-

LB110 which would allow for a tightly regulated medical cannabis system.

New Hampshire-

HB 481 which would allow adult use recreational cannabis, allowing for possession of up to one ounce of cannabis, as well a taxable, regulated cannabis market.

South Carolina-

SB 366 which has been considered to be "the most"socially conservative medical marijuana bill in the country" which would not allow for cannabis flower. Patients would only be allowed access to capsules, oils and edibles.

Kentucky-

SB 82 which would decrease the penalty for cannabis possession of up to one ounce to a $100 fine, or 15 hours of community service.

Connecticut-

State lawmakers are in talks to introduce a bill to legalize, regulate and tax adult use recreational cannabis, though no formal measures have been set forth as of yet.

Illinois-

State Sen. Heather Steans (D-Chicago) and State Rep. Kelly Cassidy (D-Chicago) have announced plans to introduce an adult use legalization bill very soon, which would allow for adults 21 and older to purchase and possess up to thirty grams of cannabis as well as grow up to five plants in their homes.

Home cannabis delivery gets green light in California

In a recent victory for the cannabis industry, California green lights home delivery of cannabis, even within communities that have banned commercial sales. The California Police Chiefs Association, League of California Cities and United Food and Commercial Workers Western States Council opposed this move by The Bureau of Cannabis Control as they believed it would increase black market sales, which would in turn take the control away from the state, and undermine the municipalities that had banned the commercial sales. However cannabis companies and consumers continued to push for the change, arguing that many patients are too frail to travel to obtain their cannabis medications. The new regulations will not go into full effect until the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) has reviewed and approved the measure.

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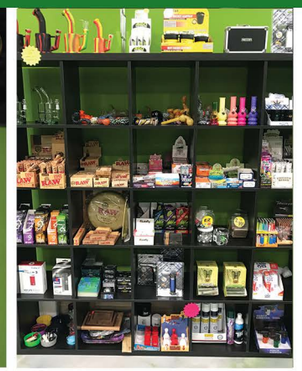

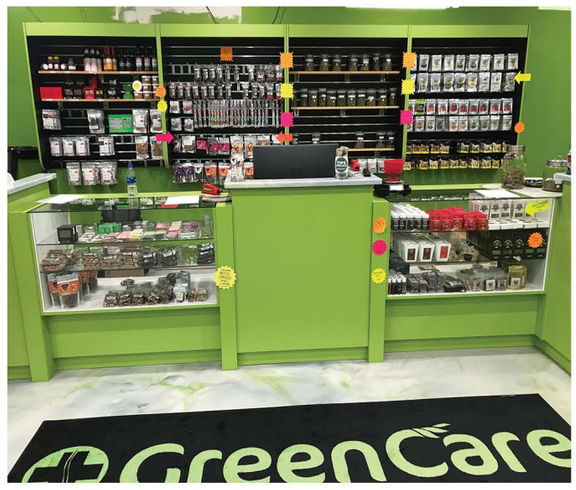

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WORLD NEWS

By Meghan Smith

Cannabis Company Given Green Light to Cultivate High THC Strains

Hikurangi Enterprises, a Cannabis company based in Ruatoria, on the East Coast of New Zealand has been given permission to grow some of the highest THC strains to be imported into the country. The company was among the first in the country to be given a license for medical cannabis, and the Ministry of Health is now amending that license to allow the company to grow 16 new varieties of cannabis. Including 5 strains with extremely high THC, the psychoactive compound found in Cannabis, as well as 4 strains with equal THC and CBD, and an additional seven with lower THC and higher CBD.

Managing director of Hikurangi Manu Caddie stated "We are very pleased to receive this expanded list of cultivars for our research and breeding efforts, as we breed the particular plants that Hikurangi medicines are derived from, our plant scientists are saying diverse genetics is really important."

Until recently, the Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) had blocked the importation of high THC seeds due to the strict biosecurity rules that only allowed for low THC varieties. However, now after negotiations between Hikurangi and officials from the Ministry of Health and MPI, the updated regulations will acknowledge that there is no scientific basis to prohibit high-THC strains because strength of the strain has no bearing on the diseases a plant might carry.

Mom Wins Battle to Allow Severely Epileptic Son the CBD Medicine He Needs

Lisa Quarrell, from East Kilbride has finally won the battle to allow her severely epileptic son access to the cannabidiol (CBD) derived medication called Epidolex, after East Kilbride Community Trust launched a petition that gathered more than 14,000 signatures in favour of the government allowing Cole access to cannabis oil. Making six-year-old Cole Thomson one of only 10 children in Scotland to receive it. Lisa stated she was witnessing a "huge deterioration" in the health of Cole, who has drug-resistant epilepsy. At only two years old, Cole underwent brain surgery, and has been on 16 different medications since he was three. Lisa stated that none of them worked, and lead to around 10 seizures a night, as well as a slowing of Cole's speech, and paralysis down his right side.

Lisa said "I have a mixture of emotions to be finally told Cole will have a prescription for Epidiolex from Glasgow. I'm proud, happy, relieved, angry and guilty. I'm so happy for Cole to finally be able to access medical cannabis in the UK and especially in Scotland. However, the journey to get here has been tough and exhausting which is completely unnecessary and unfair. There are still hundreds of children and young adults – some are part of our Parents of Hope group – who are still waiting and have been for years. Some with children who stop breathing and turn blue every night due to seizures, who are too drained to fight this fight publicly. My fight started about Cole and will always be about him. However, our journey brought us to where we are today and what we now know cannot be forgotten."

Portugal Considering Recreational Cannabis Regulation

Portugal, Europe's second largest producer of legal cannabis for the global medical industry has a fairly tolerant decriminalization policy, though personal use and possession of cannabis remains technically illegal outside of a tightly regulated medical program. This January however, the Left Bloc and People-Animals-Nature (PAN) parties submitted bills to impose regulations for a recreational cannabis market as well.

The Left Bloc's version, entitled "Legalizing Cannabis for Personal Use," calls for the regulation of non medical use cannabis cultivation and marketing. The statement of intent submitted with the bill states "The main objective of responsible and safe legalization of recreational cannabis should always be the reduction of problem consumption, the effective fight against drug trafficking and associated crime." The bill would allow for adults to grow up to five plants for personal use, and would divide the tax revenues from recreational sales equally amongst drug treatment programs and funding for the country's National Health Service. The PAN version entitled "Regulating Adult Use of Cannabis." is structured similarly, and states the aim is "to protect people from the risks of illegal trade and drug-trafficking, as well as the health, social and economic consequences that the irresponsible and uninformed use of psychoactive substances can have on society."

In 2001 Portugal adopted a depenalization policy for the personal possession of all illegal drugs, meaning that if you are found in possession of any illegal drug (including cannabis) you are not immediately arrested, but are instead required to go before a dissuasion commission made up of legal, health, and social service experts. This commission will then make a judgement regarding whether the individual has an addiction, and may refer them to a treatment program, and in some cases, may also impose certain fines, or "other sanctions" they deem necessary. This policy has been hailed as an enormous success by drug reform activists across the globe.

Turkey's President Announces Plans to Expand Legal Hemp Cultivation

Municipal and regional leaders from throughout Turkey gathered in the capitol, Ankara, at the presidential palace recently for a speech on the role of local governments. During this speech, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan announced that Turkey will be returning to widespread cannabis cultivation, and has asked for the regional leaders to promote the crop. President Erdogan stated "The Ministry of Agriculture will begin a study and we will take these steps, We will produce it again" While reminiscing of his family's cannabis-based cottage industry, he further stated "I remember my mother used to knit shopping bags that we could use when shopping. You don't throw them away immediately... It is earth friendly... These are made of cannabis,"

A few days later, during a visit to an armoured car factory in the northwestern province of Sakarya, President Erdoga further emphasized his desire for a new agricultural sector in the country saying "I am calling out to my nation; let's start the process to cultivate industrial hemp We will see that industrial hemp has many different benefits in many different areas." Currently hemp cultivation is only permitted in 19 of Turkey's 81 provinces. The following day, Agriculture Minister Bekir Pakdemirli announced that the government will begin issuing new permits to expand on this area. Pakdemirli stated that the Black Sea Agriculture Institute and Ondokuz Mayis University, in the northern city of Samsun, are carrying out a joint research project on commercial cannabis.

Some of the regional leaders are fully embracing and supporting this move, such as Gov. Osman Bilgin of Kirklareli province, on the Bulgarian border, who stated "There are 2.5 million cannabis plants naturally grown in our city. We won't burn them anymore. We will contribute the economy with them." also jumping on the bandwagon is Abdurrahman Dilipak, a prominent Islamist writer, ran an opinion piece in the largely conservative Istanbul newspaper Yeni Akit. in this piece, Bilgin fiercely supports the legalization of medical cannabis, saying that the "Turkish Social Security Administration should produce medication based on cannabis and distribute without a charge under the supervision of medical doctors," with the support f the Islamist right, Turkey may be poised to rapidly rise in the world cannabis industry.

CANNABIS LEGALIZATION IN MICHIGAN

A NEW LOBBYING SCENE EMERGES IN LANSING

By Tim Beck: Chairman of the Safer Michigan Coalition

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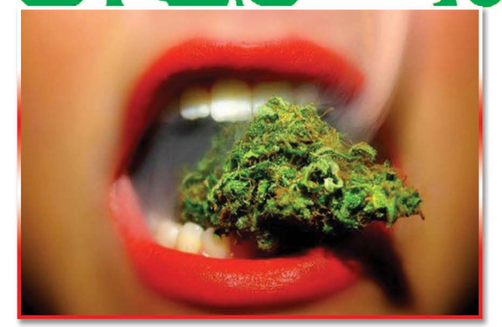

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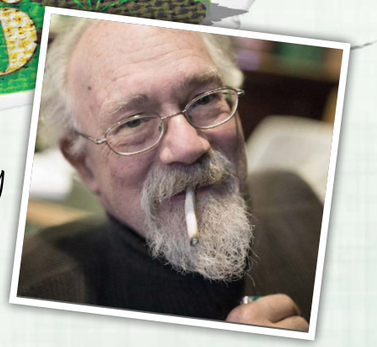

I might as well start with the bad news: My attempt at establishing a smoker-friendly coffeeshop in Detroit, which looked so hopeful just two months ago, came to an unfortunate and untimely end when we were asked to leave the site of the John Sinclair Cafe in a place called the Psychedelic Healing Shack at 18700 Woodward Avenue at the end of February.

Adam Brook and I opened the John Sinclair Cafe on New Year's Day and tried hard to implement our ideas as enumerated in last month's column, but instead of the cooperation and support we'd been promised by the Shack's proprietor, a character called Dr. Bob, assistance was consistently withheld and repeated promises of improvements were never to be forthcoming.

Other than the consistent lack of respect and consideration we encountered, the worst disppointment was Dr. Bob's failure to provide a coffee machine to produce espressos, lattes and cappucinos as required for the operation of a coffeeshop. To this day there is no coffee machine and thus no coffeehshop, so our mission didn't get its first foot off the ground.

As a proposed coffeeshop, it was impossible to operate without being able to make and serve coffee. With no product, it was impossible to hire baristas and waitpersons to serve the patrons, so we had no staff of outr own and weren;t able to rely on the inexperienced and often addled volunteer personnel recruited by Dr. Bob.

I hate to sound like a broken record, but this is a problem we couldn't overcome. Having announced the opening of our coffeeshop, we really couldn't really promote the Cafe any further without being able to deliver on what we had advertised.

Day after day for the month of January Dr. Bob and his chief factotum, a troubled cat named JeffChenowitz, promised over and over again that the requisite coffee machine was being (a) ordered, (b) repaired, or (c) traded for, and finally they had the coffee machine company confirm for us that the new machine would be installed in the Shack on January 27th.

I had planned to institute a nightly music program beginning with the opening of the Cafe and had lined up Jeff Grand on Tuesdays, Tino Gross on Wednesdays, Billy Davis on Thursdays, RasKente on Fridays, special events on Saturdays, and a poetry assemblage led by M.L. Liebler on Sunday afternoons, plus the weekly broadcast of my Radio Free Amsterdam program, The John Sinclair Radio Show, now in its 15th year, live in the Cafe on Monday nights.

Without anything to serve the public and no one to serve it, it seemed insane to start the music without yet being a coffeeshop, so I canceled each night's performance until the end of January. When the imminent arrival of he new coffee machine was announced, I scheduled the music to start on January 29th and hoped for the best.

Within a couple of days, however, Dr. Bob and his sidekick confessed that there would be no machine because they couldn't afford to purchase one.

Then the most incredible thing happened: Dr. Bob began shaking us down for money.It turned out that he thought I was rich and famous and could be bamboozled into bailing him out of his financial difficulties with the Psychedelic Healing Shack.

The Shack is actually a fine old house located at the corner of Woodward Avenue and Goldengate Streetthat's been under Dr. Bob's ownership since early in the 21st century. He has his chiropractic and therapeutic massage office in the front, two large open rooms in between, and a vegan kitchen and dining area in the rear, capped by a built-on, enclosed back porch area that opens onto Goldengate Street.

The open rooms in the middle were until recently occupied by a herbal, root, and crystal counter operated by Dr. Bob's now estranged wife, who took the installation with her when she moved out. The open space evidently prompted Dr. Bob and Jeff to contemplate my idea of opening a smoker-friendly coffeeshop that I had proposed to them a couple of years ago, and while I was in the rehabilitation facility in November recovering from a serious fall at my apartment on Peterboro Streetjust north of downtown Detroit, they invited me to open my Cafe in their place on New Year's Eve.

Now, anyone who knows anything about me knows that I am not and have never been a rich man. I am an impoverished poet and writer who survives on my SSI allowance, my monthly writing fee from this magazine, and whatever little money I can make from occasional poetry performances and public appearances centered on marijuana legalization. I have amassed a certain amount of notoriety through my many years of achievement in the arts and other fields and by means of my battle to overturn the Michigan marijuana laws from my prison cell during 1969-1971.

I'm perhaps best known as the subject of a song by John Lennon and as the beneficiary of his appearance in my behalf at the John Sinclair Freedom Rally at Crisler Arena in Ann Arbor on December 10, 1971.I got out of prison three days later as a result, but I have never received any cash or royalties as a result of the song. I was the manager of the MC-5and secured them major recoding contracts with Elektra and then Atlantic Records, but they fired me in June 1969 and I've never received any payments or royalties from their record sales.

As a poet and writer I'm lucky to get my little books and musical albums published by my friends and fans and fortunate to receive a few hundred dollars now andthen from my efforts. In fact, anyone who knows me knows I'm not in it for the money and that I've been following a fairly selfless bardic path since my golden experiences with peyote and LSD in the mid-1960s that shaped my life ever after and unto the present day.

The idea that I could channel money into Dr. Bob's operation is simply ridiculous. I don't have any money and I don't know where to get any. In fact, I don't even want any, and I'm in the process of giving away all my intellectual rights and properties to a non-profit entity based in Amsterdam called The John Sinclair Foundation.

My agreement with the so-called Psychedelic Healing Shack was to attemptto attract customers for Dr. Bob's operations by installing a classic old-school coffeeshop on his premises, pay the musicians from the door receipts, pay the servers from their sales revenues, and direct excess monies to Dr. Bob. Adam Brook and I are serving the John Sinclair Foundation in a voluntary capacity and had no intention of taking money out for ourselves.

This might sound crazy to you, but this is the way I am and always have been. I thought people in metropolitan Detroit deserved to have a place rich in art, music and poetry rooted in the Detroit Artists Workshop and the genuine Trans-Love Energies of yore where they could relax, have an espresso, maybe smoke a joint and enjoy themselves in the company of other like-minded individuals, artists,musicians, and fellow intellectuals.

I should mention that I am still recovering from physical injuries suffered last October. I came to the Shack in a wheelchair every day during January and have since graduated to a walker. I left my apartment and moved my bed into Dr. Bob's nearby garage, where I've been sleeping the last two months so I could get up and spend each day in residence at the Cafe.

That was my commitment, and to make a long story short, I did my job but it came to naught and my time at the Shack is up. I'm moving out and closing up the John Sinclair Cafe for now, but Adam and I and our associates Matty Lee and Mike Boulanare hoping it might open again in a different location during my ever-shrinking lifetime.

I'm sorry to go on so long about this fiasco, but so many people were pulling for our success that I wanted to explain what happened to my attempt to realize my dream, and of course it feels better to get it off my mind.

My publisher wanted me to tell you about the lawsuit I'm spearheading to get marijuana removed from the Board of Pharmacy's controlled substances list, where it sits with heroin and other Schedule I drugs even though legalized in Michigan last November by popular vote, but I'll have to do that next month because Im out of space for March. See you at the Hash Bash Cup next month! Free The Weed!

—Detroit

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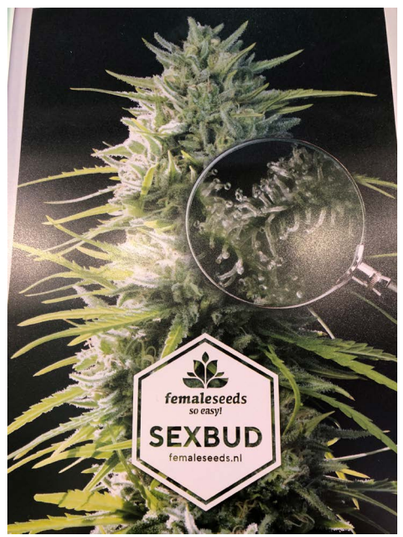

CANNIBALS OF FREEDOM:

ARE POLITICIANS PROFITEERS OF PESTILENCE

By Daniel Price, Esq.

Happy Spring! With it comes warm weather, which can sometimes bring epidemics, so we must always be vigilant. Speaking of which, in the past I shared with a person that the practice of criminal law sometimes includes making deals, and that the medium of exchange is human lives. She, not caring to hear my explanation, and not being a supporter of freedom, started contacting the courts in our state in which I currently practiced, without my knowledge. She did this to slyly bad mouth me in an attempt to help another destroy my career. She actually thought I'd be afraid of others finding out about my statement. But that statement is part of the point of this article, to explain the principles of freedom. And I am not afraid of freedom, or of explaining what it means.

So here it is. But first, I explain the term, "Pestilence". This is defined as, a fatal epidemic, or disease, and can also mean something morally corrupt. I previously wrote about the morality of freedom, and how laws which violate the principles of freedom are immoral. This is true, so long as the standard of morality is freedom. Freedom was the foundation for our great country. As a result, any federal or state laws which deny or regulate an individual's freedom to say, think, or do as they see fit, so long as it does not violate those same rights for others, are in fact immoral.

The political system includes lawmakers and voters. The legal system includes the police, prosecutors, defense attorneys, Judges, and court staff, as well as jails and probation/parole officers, and voters. In the normal course of business, lawmakers enact laws, with and without the consent of voters. Thereafter, if there is a claim that someone broke the law, a complaint is made to the police. The police forward that to the prosecuting attorney's office, and the prosecutor can decide whether or not to bring charges. If the prosecution moves forward, Defense attorneys try to defend their clients to the best of their ability. Judges are supposed to ensure a fair and impartial process.

Often times, a defendant's best course of action under this system is to make a deal and enter a guilty plea in exchange for the dismissal of more serious charges. This works well for the defendant, and the legal system. This gives the defendant a lighter possible sentence, allows the prosecutor to get a conviction, and frees up more time for the courts to adjudicate the enormous caseload. This deal making is perhaps one of the best ways to adjudicate cases, and gives everyone a fair shot at understanding they made a mistake. But this is true only if the person accused actually committed a crime which took or damaged the life, liberty, or property of another human being.

However, when lawmakers enact immoral laws that restrict or deny freedom, such as marijuana laws, this forces the legal system to prosecute persons who are merely exercising their freedom. Thus, that system becomes one in which police are called upon to enforce the destruction of freedom. Further, prosecutors are required to prosecute freedom. This also forces defense attorneys to defend persons who did nothing to harm the life, liberty or property of others. As a result, when the deals are made in these types of cases, its literally to lessen the blow of the crime of exercising freedom. Still, it is a deal that forces one to plead guilty to the crime of exercising freedom because the pestilence of immoral laws. Thus, in this type of criminal prosecution, the deals are those of which the medium of exchange is the liberty, property, and ultimately the life of individuals, as these help to destroy the rights to life, liberty, and property.

This does not apply to the prosecution of crimes in which there is a victim, such as rape, murder, assault and battery, property destruction, theft of any kind, or any crime which violates the life, liberty (including privacy), or property of another. The reason it does not apply is simple, these are crimes which denied freedom to others.

Many in both the political and legal systems fail to understand the concept of freedom. Some may understand, but choose to look the other way. But the point is, when any society prosecutes its members for exercising freedom, the deal making process becomes one where in which the medium of exchange is the freedom, property, and ultimately the lives of those prosecuted.

How can this be fixed? Understand the principles of freedom. Don't look the other way. Don't vote for those who promise to destroy freedom by taking from other to give to you, or to enact laws making freedom a crime. Remember, it is you who help them to profit from violating everyone's freedom no matter the reason.

Till next month, as always, keep rolling on.

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3	4	5 MARDI GRAS CARNIVAL	6	7	8 Natalie MacMaster & Donnell Leahy Capitol Theatre Starts at 8pm	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 VEHICLE CITY Social Glow Party Starts at 9pm
17 MICHIGAN HEMP CONFERENCE	18	19	20 Spring Equinox	21	22 The Machine Shop Cradle of Filth @7pm	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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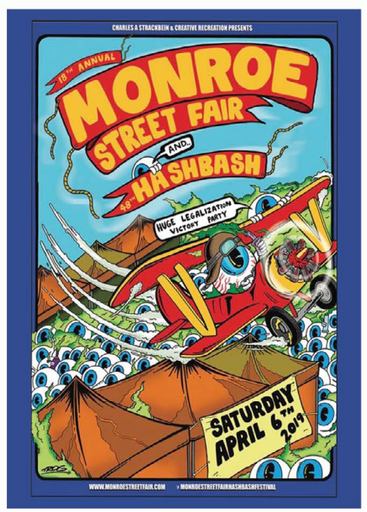
48TH HASH BASH & 18TH ANNUAL MONROE STREET FAIR

WHAT STARTED AS A HUMBLE GROUP OF POT PROTESTERS, STAGING A "SMOKE-IN" ON THE CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN IN ANN ARBOR ALMOST FIFTY YEARS AGO, NOW CELEBRATES THE VICTORY OF CANNABIS LEGALIZATION. HASH BASH NOW IS NOW KNOWN AS ONE OF THE LARGEST AND CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT PRO-CANNABIS EVENT WORLDWIDE.

THE FESTIVITIES START ON THE DIAG, WITH THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER, ADAM BROOK AND JOHN SINCLAIR. EVERYONE LIGHTS UP AS SPEECHES AND POETRY IS BLARED ON THE CAMPUS PA SYSTEM, WHICH IS SPONSORED BY THE STUDENT GROUP STUDENTS FOR A SENSIBLE DRUG POLICY. WHILE A DOZEN OR SO SPEAKERS ARE INVITED TO RANT ON THE STEPS OF THE UNIVERSITY, EVERYONE BEGINS TO MIGRATE OVER TO MONROE STREET.



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" MONROE ST. FAIR IS WHAT REALLY BROUGHT THE HASH BASH TO ITS FULL POTENTIAL. IT HAS EDUCATED MANY PEOPLE OF THE MANY USES OF THE PLANT AS A HOLE TO HELP CURE AND CONTROL MANY HEALTH ISSUES. AND IT HAS PLAYED A HUGE PART IN BRINGING MANY PEOPLE TO THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR FOR THE FULL EXPERIENCE. MANY LIKE MINDED PEOPLE HAVE MET AND CONNECTED AND BROUGHT LIGHT TO MANY OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD. WE ALL ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR WHAT MONROE ST. FAIR HAS DONE FOR COUNTLESS PEOPLE "
- DANNY FULLER

' 3RD YEAR COMING OUT AND IT KEEPS GETTING BETTER EVERY YEAR!!! POSITIVE VIBES COMING FROM ALL THE WAY DOWN MONROE ST. MY FAVORITE WAS CLAW CONCENTRATES OG KUSH BERRY, HANDS DOWN THE BEST I'VE HAD. THERE WAS AN ADDED HASHBASH CUP THIS YEAR, I FELT ALOT OF PEOPLE MISSED OUT ON IT THOUGH. .. STAY INFORMED AND PLAN FOR NEXT YEAR MY PEOPLE. THERE IS ALSO ALWAYS FREE PARKING AT THE MANARD ST. GARBAGE EVERY YEAR AND IF NOT, HILL ST. IS $5. AND I WANT TO SAY THANKS TO EVERYONE AT DOMINICKS FOR BEING COOL.
- TOM HARVEY

" SUPER AWESOME TO SEE SO MANY PEOPLE THAT HAVE THE SAME LOVE FOR MARIJUANA AS I DO. GOOD MIX OF PEOPLE THERE, OF COURSE NO PROBLEMS THERE BECAUSE EVERYONE IS AT PEACE FOR THE LOVE OF LEGALIZING MARIJUANA. I WILL DEFINITELY BE GOING TO THE NEXT ONE AND HOPEFULLY MANY MORE. I THOUGHT IT USE TO BE ON 4/20, WHAT HAPPENED? MY BIRTHDAY IS 4/20, WISH IT WAS STILL ON 4/20. IT WAS FUN 1ST YEAR FOR ME. IM GLAD I WENT WITH SOME FRIENDS. PEACE YO! "
- REBECCA SCUDDER

" HAD A GREAT TIME, EVERYONE WAS AWESOME BURNING DOWN WITH FRIENDS, SPREADING THE LOVE!! I WILL BE BACK NEXT YEAR AND THE YEARS TO COME! THANK YOU FOR THIS FESTIVAL, ONE OF THE BEST EXPERIENCES I'VE HAD, THANK YOU! "
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MARCH 2019

PISCES
FEBRUARY 19 TO MARCH 20

You are not boastful or arrogant, however growing a backbone never hurt anybody. Leopards can't change their spots, so why expect that? Stand up for yourself or be eaten alive.

ARIES
MARCH 21 TO APRIL 19

If you feel like your life sucks, perhaps you should try to be grateful for what you have. Your inconsistency and intrusive nature maybe behind the dread you are feeling. A word for the wise, no one likes an over inflated ego.

TAURUS
APRIL 20 TO MAY 20

Seems like someone needs an attitude adjustment.You're seeking heart break if you think every relationship is going to be of romantic nature. Sure, you're okay, but not everyone is in love you and your brootish ways.

GEMINI
MAY 21 TO JUNE 20

Patience is a virtue you are in short supply of. Stop blaming others, and get your business taken care of. Holding yourself accountable is the only way to break out of the cast you have made for yourself.

CANCER
JUNE 21 TO JULY 22

Be aware of the seeds you plant. Whether they are flowers or weeds they will grow in your garden if you water them. Volatile emotions plant seeds of doubt and mistrust.Even if your specialty isn't balancing logic and emotion, it would be a good place to start.

LEO
JULY 23 TO AUGUST 22

Forget the drama, and start helping your loved ones. You are generous, sometimes too much. Avoid getting caught up in your complexities. Make your point short and sweet, or risk being overlooked.

VIRGO
AUGUST 23 TO SEPTEMBER 22

Existential dread is not uncommon during these late winter days. For someone who is so frequently fearful, you may want to take initiative to find the answers you seek. Drop the self-righteous crap, and ask for help.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 23 TO OCTOBER 22

Nothing changes if you don't make it happen. Cycles are not broken by repeating the same behavior, but your stagnant attitude gives the impression that you are settled into the insanity. Good luck!

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 23 TO NOVEMBER 21

In time of impatience and rushed decisions we often jump from the fire to the frying pan. Maybe if you weren't so fickle you could commit to one thing and be satisfied.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 22 TO DECEMBER 21

Give yourself a break. Being a people pleaser is exhausting, and you can't keep it up forever. Nobody wins when you get there through false flattery.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 22 TO JANUARY 19

The only thing consistent about you is your inconsistency. Being a hard worker is great and all, but maybe try working hard at being reliable and see where that gets you.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 20 TO FEBRUARY 18

Billy Joel said it better than anyone "Honesty is hardly ever "heard". Do not contribute to the dishonesty that is floating around. Telling the truth is not always fun or easy, but makes life a lot easier for everyone around you.

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SAN FRANCISCO DIARY OF HERBERT E. HUNCKE MAY 22ND & MAY 23RD, 1967

May 22nd – 1967 This morning – fantastic – the dawn breaking soft orange and gentle – just a short while ago while I was riding with Lowell, Eddie and Trinna. Trinna and I had walked to the all-night store on Filmore Street.

1 We had walked over talking.

2 Trinna has a strange beauty – underneath a certain behavior patina where she can be impatient – with preconceived conception of what is happening – annoyed and not convinced what she sees around her is really solid – momentarily frighted at having departed the accepted standards – not able always to reconcile herself the delight of of her own sensitivity.

3 She has beautiful hair I like seeing falling down around her shoulders – brushed and glistening.

4 I have decided she meets many and interesting people and is self-sufficient – and although she needs people – she strikes me as being able to see herself through almost any situation – while – in doubt of herself and filled with the pain of guilt because unable to adjust a phoney set of rules.

5 Lowell and Eddie are beautiful cats.

6 I met Lowell first and he introduced me t his friend Eddie. I like them both and feel a good warmth and openess from both of them.

7 They are physical – in my opinion and Eddie is exceptionaly attractive to me – creating a good feeling in my stomach and throughout myself. This sort of thing is always a bit embarassing to me but it is something which has been with me throughout my life –

8 I'm invariably annimated – charged perhaps – or something as delicate as titilated by the presence of good looking – alive – physical people and particularly males.

9 At one time I would have investigated or allowed a sex angle to develop – but although I suppose the basic principle is still the same I no longer think in sexual terms and evaluations but only it is stimulating in the presence of those we chemically react to in a sense of alliance and compatability.

10 When I feel a friendly response – or when I'm shown special interest it is a good thing for me – releasing a suffusion f warmth and familiarity – I feel love – not that I think love is the only answer –

11 but when it occurs as the symptons – at least – some – are in evidence – I am conscious of something below the level of the surface close to soul – spirit – enegetic attraction – a sort of belonging in relationship to whatever is in and part of the immediate environment – the so called scene.

12 Both Lowell and Edie fall into San Francisco from one of the smaller communities not a great distance from the city. Surrounding the entire area are beautifull rustic – natural – sections of trees – flowers – mountains – the sea – where there are cabins and residential neighborhoods.

13 Eddie is a native Californian who owned his own car at fourteen and who had a severe accident on his motorcycle – a smash-up – and suffered leg injuries.

14 He is a cat somewhere in his middle twenties – twenty five or twenty six. He has an ebullient personality.

15 He can laugh deeply and is alert to the various happenings – always – and if one suddenly is amused at some development or something which has gone almost unobserved by almost everyone but yourself – or so you are apt to summarize at the moment –

16 if you catch Eddie's eye – you'll find he has perhaps – seen it – felt it – sensed – in much the way you have and if humor is involved one laughs with him heartily.

17 Lowell is perhaps a year or two older than Eddie and not as sure of himself and easily frustrated and in a state of paranoia.

18 He likes speed and shoots it whenever possible – going through steady paranoic changes. He is a good and kind cat. His ancestry were Welsh predominately and he possesses much of the special quality of his people.

19 I was very impressed with them when in Whales – liking what I came in contact with and admiring those I met – mostly villagers who lived near the sea as their forefathers had and who in most instances made me believe I was welcome and someone they could accept. Lowell has much of the same thing in his nature.

20 Both cats like stuff and come to me to cop for them when they hit town – either every other day or at any rate fairly regularly. Usually they inject an element of activity into the scene.

21 Both are unusually generous and share their stuff much more liberally than the majority – of people – although here in San Francisco everyone shares more openly than one becomes accustomed to in other places.

22 This writing is winding up the weekend – on Monday morning – everyone with the exception of Janine – (who slept – heavily been somewhat frolicsome yesterday – walks in the park – love feasts at public gatherings being friendly – turning on – pot – wine – whatever chanced her way – finally falling out late in the evening)

23 everyone else up and tripping as it is referred to – painting – fixing – rearranging – cleaning – talking – scheming – enjoying each other – the whole night.

24 Danny McNally is always busy and I like his words.

25 He has an amazingly keen awareness of people's needs and in his own typical manner quietly offers interest and attention and people like him.

26 Certain people simply possess an essence – perhaps of themselves which distinguishes them and they become known – ledgendary. Danny McNally is definitely one of those people.

27 His name crops up cossistently before one has even met him. Suddenly there he is and one is aware of something a little out of the ordinary – maybe a bit special – about him. Danny is one of the people one eventually meets and speaks of and one's life is a trifle richer and more worth the while. Quite a cat – Danny.

28 We have been in each others company constantly the past few weeks and in a manner of speaking he is my closest companion. He and Sally Action – now Sally McNally are together and it is good.

29 I suppose I should have tried a description of our quarters here in San Francisco – our pad – because it is groovy and active and in some respects out of the ordinary. One thing it blazes with color.

30 Abstract paintings fill the walls of one room and everything is comfortable. There is a music box and good records – jazz – rock – some classical – just music and it is going all the time.

31 There is Serge who occupies the pad next door and his chic Nicky – beautiful – hip – who sews and makes beautiful dresses – she sells – of velvets and lace – and suede. There are young pot-head students – who visit the back pad – an endless flow of young hip beautiful people.

32 Ocassionally the place fills up with young people – in costumes – the cats with long hair and bells – charms – leather – thongs – sandals – silver belts – of disks linked together with chains – the chics in gowns that either fall to the floor in length or are mini skirted – or wearing slacks – earings – beads – feathers and flowers – who sleep in the kitchen in sleeping bags or bunk in whatever environment.

33 And of course flutes and guitars. There has been no let-up since we moved in.

34 This morning epitomises all I have felt and seen I believe in – and I am inwardly sure it has been and is good.

35 Drugs are the password and no day goes by drugless. All drugs are used here – amphets or speed or crystal as it is called here and as much schmeck – skag – raw heroin as I can, and everyone else as well – manage. There is always pot – and usually hash – LSD – tabs and capules – Barbituates – yellows – blues – reds – blues and reds – all of them.

36 And now the weather has changed – sunshine fills our room.

37 **May 23rd, 1967** Hours have passed since I was aware of the sunlight in our rooms. I zonked out cold finally.

38 Danny was occupied with a collage – his materials around him – rapping at the same time with Sally who was surrounded by several of her boxes of bits of metal – steel – iron – brass – tin – cogs and wheels – bits of chain – rougher pieces like

39 parts of motors, a thorough variety she has collected by seeing something along the streets – catches her – she looks at it – finally picks it up and if so – more often than not it has become an object added to the accumulation –

40 there were boxes of beads – ornaments of all kinds – or that is – parts of the original object and she was busy assorting and arranging much of this stuff but primarily a lot to arrange.

41 The last I recall before falling asleep was Sally kneeling and holding several items in her hands – her mind obviously preoccupied with her life and was loving and enjoyng the closeness of Danny and the sense of companionship –

42 although riddled with guilt because somehow her life fails to run smoothly – and looking at me – with an expression half amused and half of pity – or so I thought at the time.

43 We spoke briefly in soft tones. She asked me if it bothered me – her things were scattered around and I told her it didn't bother me. Closed my eyes immediately thereafter and in a manner of speaking – passed out.

44 I was awakened abruptly about three hours later by the sound of someone pounding on our front door – apparently unwilling to accept our being asleep – determined to awaken someone.

45 The sun was streaming in through the windows. I glanced at the clock which game the time at eleven o'clock. Simultaneously I was aware of being alone in my room – both Danny and Sally gone – looking into the next room I could see Janine and Milton still sleeping – while all through my physical being I was aware of unpleasant feeling.

46 My stomach was upset – I had a slight headache – all my joints seemed stiff and a cloud of depression had settled around my shoulders. I staggered to the door and opened it to a cat I met through Danny earlier who asked me if I knew anywhere to sell a stereo set.

47 He said – "Its a boss set, man. If we sell it we'll all get straight." I can't remember my replies to his various suggestions etc. but he annoyed me and I made every effort to get rid of him and was apparently successful.

48 Returning to my room my whole sense discomfort became even more accute and I sat smoking a cigarette and thoroughly defeated. It was doubly painful because just a few hours earlier – the whole world had seemed bright and everyone around had appeared beautiful and good people.

49 I finished smoking and decided I'd call N.Y. and speak with Allen G. if possible. I called his number but he didn't answer and I came back here to lay around and feel sorry for myself.

50 About five minutes following my return – Janine began stirring and after getting up she asked me if I'd like to cop a half of spoon for the two of us.

51 Sunday morning **April 23rd, 1967** In all probability my last morning in San Francisco – an incredible beautiful city – filled with strange and more often than not beautiful people – either rather sad and lost or beyond the point of holding back – having broken through and safely secure in their sense of freedom –

52 yet cautious and in almost each instance extremely paranoid – frequently conscious of the fragility of crystal – constantly looking over their shoulders as though they expect the next tremor to be the last prior –

53 the great descent into the patiently awaiting ocean –

believing this the next Atlantis – seemingly smug in their dream of becoming part of the legend –

54 some old crone – snaggletoothed any mystic – will tell of the once glittering light encrusted hills from the top each one gazed outwardly – the eyes bedazzled by the view and how suddenly the earth exploded and opened wide emitting great sheets of roaring flame –

55 and how the hissing steam filled the air with sound waves of undulation and boiling and crashing and rumbling and of the thunderous moans of the great sliding masses of rubble and earth –

56 the cries and frenzied shrieks of the living unheard beneath the angry tortuous upheaval of rock and earth down to the last faint whisper as once again the sea found a new shore to lap and slowly eat away and of how when the sun is bright one can drift slowly along the currents and looking downward toward the bottom of the ocean bed occasionally one can glimpse a kelp festooned tower swaying gently as though alive and animated pressured by the eternally restless sea. – Herbert Huncke

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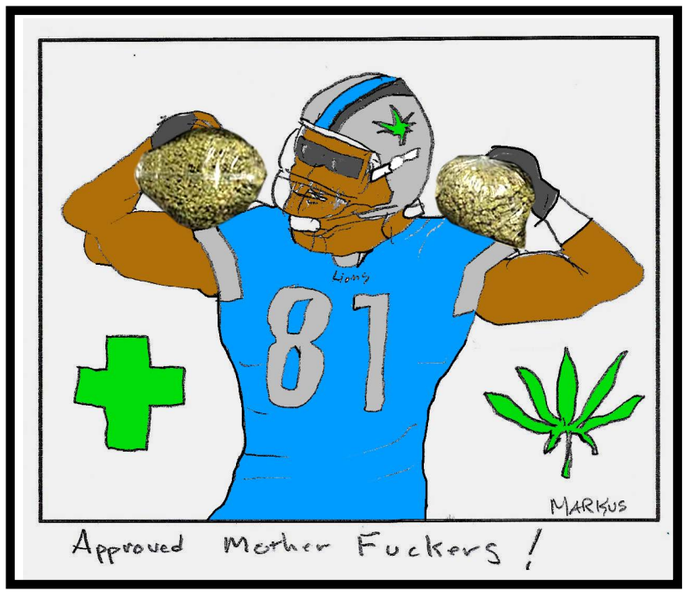

What do you call a pothead with two spliffs?

Double jointed.

One day a boy asked a girl can you suck my dick, and the girl replied "No I am a vegetarian, I smoke them trees.

A certain college professor was known for getting off topic during lectures His favorite off-topic subject was "the evils of marijuana". One day into his lecture he started talking about weed, "Used regularly," he explained,"pot can cause psychic disorientation, sterility, cancer and castration!" Now wait a minute, professor, interrupted a student. "Castration? Now that's absurd!" "Yes young man, it's sadly true," replied the professor smugly. "Just suppose your girlfriend gets the munchies!"

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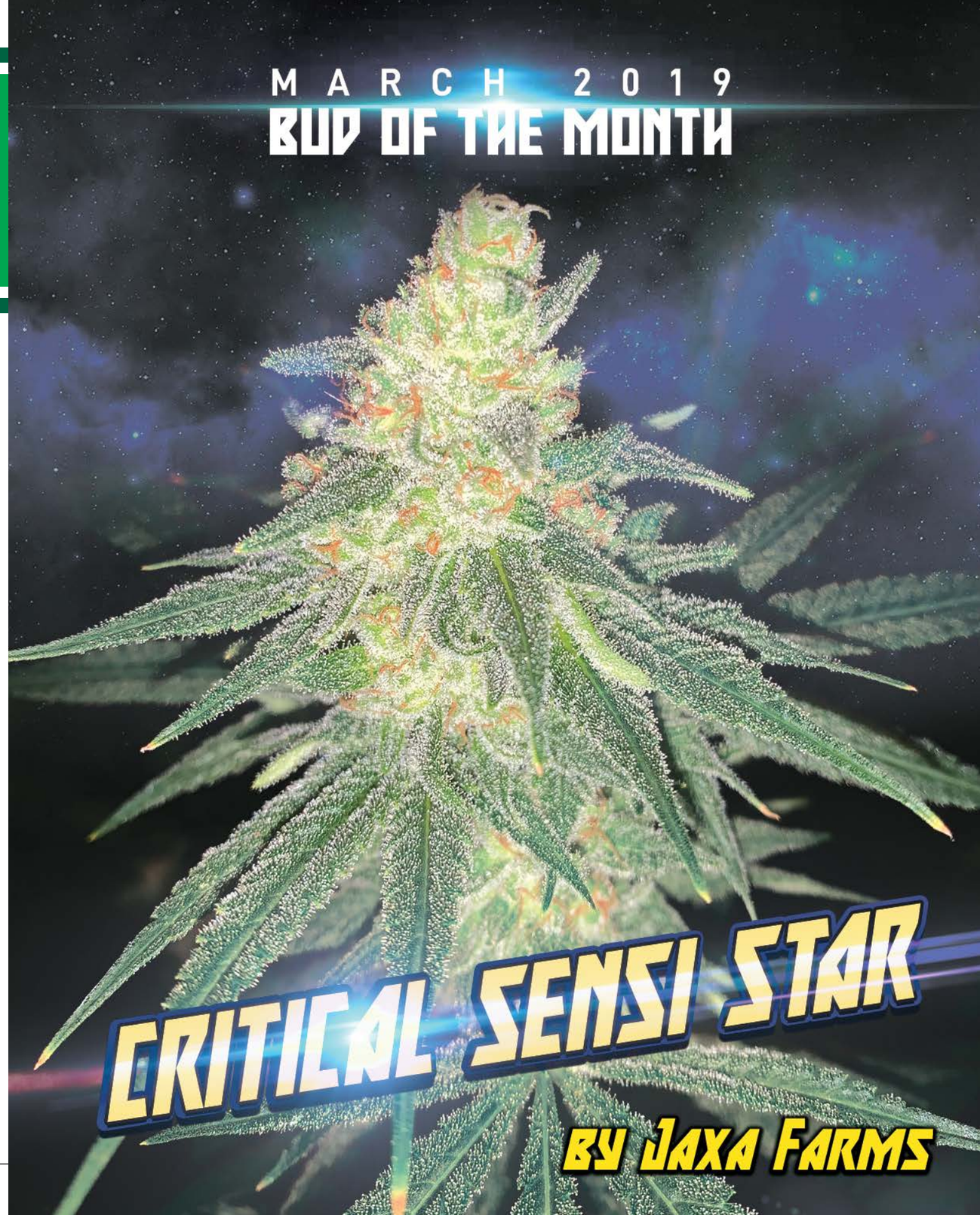

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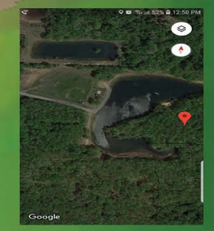

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